



# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/995,880	11/28/2001	Thomas A. Kocs	50884	1611
23389	7590	08/07/2007	EXAMINER	
SCULLY SCOTT MURPHY & PRESSER, PC			LEE, SIN J	
400 GARDEN CITY PLAZA			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
SUITE 300			1752	
GARDEN CITY, NY 11530				
MAIL DATE		DELIVERY MODE		
08/07/2007		PAPER		

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>
	09/995,880	KOES, THOMAS A.
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>
	Sin J. Lee	1752

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --  
**Period for Reply**

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

#### Status

1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 14 May 2007.

2a) This action is **FINAL**.                    2b) This action is non-final.

3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

#### Disposition of Claims

4) Claim(s) 1,6,8-12,17 and 18 is/are pending in the application.

4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5) Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.

6) Claim(s) 1, 6, 8-12, 17, 18 is/are rejected.

7) Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.

8) Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

#### Application Papers

9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10) The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.  
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

#### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a) All    b) Some \* c) None of:

1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

#### Attachment(s)

1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)                    4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
 Paper No(s)/Mail Date. \_\_\_\_\_ .

2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)  
 Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_ .

5) Notice of Informal Patent Application  
 6) Other: \_\_\_\_\_ .

**DETAILED ACTION**

1. Claims 2-5, 7, 13-16, 19 and 20 are canceled claims.
2. In view of the amendment, previous 102(b) rejection on claims 1, 6, 10-12, 17 and 18 over Fanger et al'859 is hereby withdrawn.
3. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

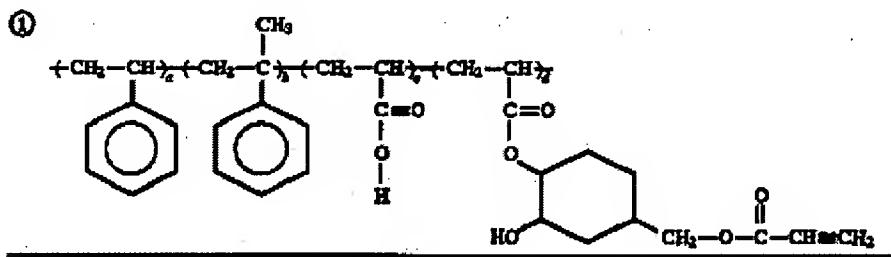
***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

4. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.
5. Claims 1, 6-12, 17 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Urano et al (5,800,952).

In Comparative Examples 6 and 9 (see Table 2, and see also the last three lines of col.15-16, first fifteen lines of col.17-18, and col.4, lines 15-17, col.16, lines 48-58), Urano teaches a photopolymerizable composition containing a photopolymerization

Art Unit: 1752

initiator system II including R-1 (2,2'-bis(o-chlorophenyl)-4,4',5,5'-tetraphenylbiimidazole) and Michler's ketone (N,N'-tetramethyl-4,4'-diaminobenzophenone), an ethylenic compound, 24 parts of an organic polymer material (1) (with acid value of 80) which is shown below, and 3 parts of an additive which is one of oxalic acid and phthalic acid:



Therefore, Urano teaches present 5 parts of the organic acid per 40 parts of polymeric binder. Urano coats his composition onto a substrate, followed by exposure and development. Thus, Urano teaches present inventions of claims 1, 6-12, 17 and 18.

#### ***Response to Arguments***

6. Applicants argue that Urano et al does not anticipate present invention because Urano's photopolymerization initiator system includes a thiazole-containing compound, which is not listed in present claims 1, 12 and 18. However, present claims 1, 12 and 18 use open-ended transitional phrase "comprising" and thus do not exclude the presence of a thiazole-containing compound. Also, applicants argue that Urano teaches away from utilizing an oxalic acid and phthalic acid in photopolymerizable composition. However, applicants' such argument is unpersuasive because present rejection over Urano is a 102(b) rejection, not a 103(a) rejection. Since Urano's

Comparative Examples 6 and 9 teach every components of present claims 1, 12 and 18, Urano does teach present inventions of those claims.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sin J. Lee whose telephone number is 571-272-1333. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:00 am EST to 5:30 pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cynthia Kelly, can be reached on 571-272-1526. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is **571-273-8300**.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

*S. J. Lee*

S. Lee  
August 5, 2007

*Sin J. Lee*  
**SIN LEE**  
**PRIMARY EXAMINER**